PAJARO/SUNNY MESA

COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT 136 San Juan Road, Watsonville, CA 95076 (408) 722-1389

March 27, 2003

The Honorable Terrance R. Duncan Presiding Judge of the Superior Court Monterey County P.O. Box 1819 Salinas CA 93902

Re:

Response to Grand Jury Recommendation

Penal Code Section 933

Dear Judge Duncan:

The Pajaro/Sunnymesa Community Services District Board of Directors has met and reviewed the Grand Jury recommendation of fluoridation of the District's potable water.

The recommendation will not be implemented at this time for the following reasons:

- A. The District has less than 700 connections and is therefore exempt from mandatory implementation of fluoridation.
- B. While fluoridation of the District's potable water supply would provide a positive health benefit to the consumers, it would also impose an excessive financial burden on the low-income ratepayers in our District.

The District will continue to study the feasibility of providing fluoridation to its system at such time as start-up and operating costs become more reasonable for the consumer.

PAJARO/SUNNYMESA COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT

Joe Rosa, General Manager